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TO: Members of the Michigan Legislature

FROM: Steven E. Chester, Director

DATE: March 31, 2008

SUBJECT: Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Consolidated Report

Attached for your information is the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality's (MDEQ's) annual report entitled "Department of Environmental Quality Consolidated Report on the: Environmental Protection Bond Fund, Cleanup and Redevelopment Fund, Clean Michigan Initiative Bond Fund Fiscal Year 2007." The report is available via the internet at: [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/documents/deq/deq-rrd-FY07ConsolidatedReport\\_229475\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/documents/deq/deq-rrd-FY07ConsolidatedReport_229475_7.pdf)

This annual report identifies how the bond funds and the Cleanup and Redevelopment Fund have supported the significant accomplishments of MDEQ administered efforts to address environmental contamination and threats to public health in communities throughout the State of Michigan. These efforts are exemplified by the following programs:

- ▶ clean up of contaminated sites that affect human health and the environment,
- ▶ actions to eliminate public health risks (providing safe drinking water, removing hazards)
- ▶ monitoring surface water quality and groundwater quality, and
- ▶ redevelopment of Brownfield sites to protect public health and support economic development.

It is important to note that the 1988 Quality of Life funds are fully obligated, and the 1998 Clean Michigan Initiative (CMI) bond funds supporting contaminated site cleanup and redevelopment have been obligated except for a portion of the Brownfield grant and loan funds.

It is essential that a new source of funding be identified in the next several months, to continue State of Michigan efforts to clean up and redevelop contaminated sites, to clean up and protect the waters of the Great Lakes basin, and to maintain the investment in contaminated site mitigation and drinking water system replacement. I will be discussing this need with you in the near future.

This annual report fulfills a number of reporting obligations in the Fiscal Year 2007 MDEQ's budget bill, 2007 PA 121, and Part 211, Environmental Remediation, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended; and the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, 1996 PA 381, as amended.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. James Kasprzak, Chief, Financial and Business Services Division, at 517-241-7427, or you may contact me.

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